

BIDS FOR NEW SUBWAYS ARE OPEN TO ALL COMERS

Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company Hasn't Got the Contracts Bottled Up.

FOREIGNERS AFTER JOB.

New Provision in Law Compels Operating Company to Share Profits With City.

"It has been the policy of the Commission to prepare all of the contracts which it has advertised in such a way that any corporation which wished to bid might submit an offer. This policy has been followed in the preparation of the contract for the operation of the new comprehensive system of subways now being constructed and to be constructed with city money. It would obviously be futile and useless to advertise for public bidding any contract upon which only one company could possibly bid."

"For example, one company in making a bid might offer transfer privileges to the lines which it now operates and control; another company might offer a cash payment; still another company might offer a large amount of stock; and these various offers have been received then the public authorities will have to consider which offer, from all points of view, is the most advantageous to the public and to the city."

The foregoing statement dictated today to a reporter from The Evening World by Commissioner McAlister, Commissioner of the Rapid Transit Commission, after the city had been notified that the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company had the subway contract bottled up with the city at its mercy.

COMMISSIONER SAYS NO EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT.

According to Commissioner McAlister, as well as a majority of the commission, all that the city is obligated to do under the action of the Board of Estimate of last session is to prepare an operating contract for the new subways which the R. T. C. is enabled to bid upon. No exclusive contract, they say, could be legally put up for bidders.

Under offers of transfer privileges as a bonus for the new subway contract, the following offers would be possible under the form which is being prepared by the commission:

First Transfer. Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. to "L" or surface line, or both, in Brooklyn.
Interborough.....To present subway and "L" line in Manhattan and the Bronx.
Recognized Mt. Co. To surface lines in Manhattan.
Recognized Third Ave. To surface lines in Manhattan and the Bronx.
In fact, not only are these five local companies in a position to offer "free transfers" to their present lines as a bonus for the new subway contract, but the steam railroads having a suburban service could enter that in the contract. This would include the New York, New Haven and Hartford, the New York Central and the Long Island, which is owned by the Pennsylvania.

FOREIGN COMPANIES OFFER LUMP SUM FOR CONTRACT.

With respect to offers of a "cash payment" for the new subway contract, the field is even wider. An English company, a Chicago company or even a New Zealand company or company with the offer of a lump sum to be paid to the city for the privilege of operating the new subways. They would be any "free transfers" to offer, as they would not have present local lines to enter, but what they lacked in that respect they could make up in a generosity of cash, which would pay off the city's debt incurred in building the lines.

Under the heading of "cash payment" even the Interborough could come forward with its offer of last summer to share half of the cost of building the new subways. The Interborough could assume the interest on the bonds already issued by the city for construction, and thus release for more extensions the present investment of the city in such parts of the new subway system as the Fourth Avenue subway, Brooklyn, and the Lexington Avenue line in Manhattan. MUST SHARE EXCESS OF 50 PER CENT. WITH CITY.

Fortunately for the public, a company can now legally get more than a 50 per cent. without sharing the excess upon a 50 per cent. basis with the city. This was provided for by an amendment to the Public Utilities law, passed by the Legislature at the request of the commission. It is suggested that one of the applicants for the new subway contract might offer to give two-thirds of the profits above 50 per cent. instead of one-half. Such a proposal would go some distance in securing the privilege of operating the new underground lines.

Further conferences with the Pennsylvania Railroad officials by city authorities are scheduled this week. No progress has been made toward reaching the whole subway question, but there is every likelihood that the Interborough will come forward with an offer to build a west side subway south on Seventh Avenue from Forty-second street, passing the front of the new Pennsylvania station. This offer could be made under the form of operating contract for the new subways, which the Commission proposes to advertise.

Sixteen Faces of Laucha. Many of the most humorous faces, pictures, caricatures, etc., will go to make the new "Joke Book" of the Evening World. The book will be a collection of the best of the "fun" of the past year, and a real good story by George.

DELLA FOX VERY ILL, BUT HER DOCTOR HOPES TO SAVE HER.



DELLA FOX.

Della Fox, the comic opera singer, popular fifteen years ago, is hovering between life and death at the Rebeau Sanitarium, No. 156 West Seventy-fourth street, according to her physician, Dr. Benjamin Wolff, No. 532 West One Hundred and Eleventh street.

The physician was called to see Miss Fox a week ago last Thursday at the Hotel Grenelle. Then she was taken to the sanitarium and Saturday was successfully operated on for appendicitis and peritonitis by Dr. Wolff, assisted by Dr. Simon Strauss. Dr. Wolff said his patient's heart was very weak and that stimulants were being administered.

Miss Fox passed a fairly comfortable night, and her condition today was as good as could be expected. It will be a week before she is out of danger, even should she begin immediately to improve.

"Her life hangs by a thread," said Dr. Wolff, but it may be strong enough to carry her through."

WIFE ASKS COURT TO SEND POLICEMAN-HUSBAND AWAY

Held for Shooting at Her, He Tries Again to Force Entrance to Her Home.

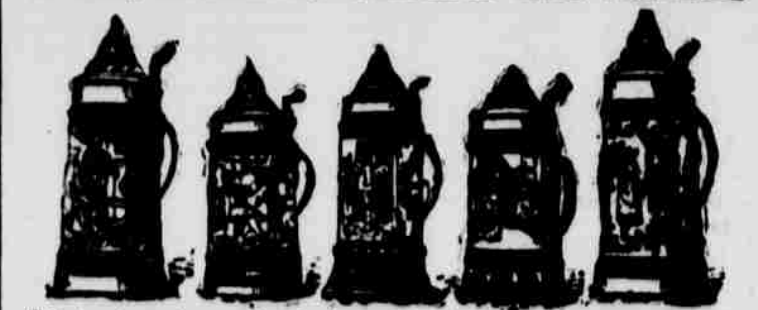
Policeman George Hackett of the Fifth Avenue station, Brooklyn, called Monday evening at his wife's home, No. 40 Vandewater avenue, and shot at her. The bullet went wild. Lieut. Murphy arrested him, and yesterday in Butler street police court he was held in \$1,000 bail.

Last night Hackett again appeared at his wife's home. He created considerable disturbance in his efforts to get in and neighbors notified the police. Sergeant Boyle of the Bergen street station responded. Hackett had vanished, but Boyle waited two hours, when he saw the man approaching and arrested him.

To-day Hackett was in Butler street court again charged with intoxication, and was held under \$500 bail by Magistrate Harris. Mrs. Hackett said she was in mortal dread of her husband and begged that something be done with him, for she feared he would kill her. Magistrate Harris decided to commit Hackett to the observation ward at Kings County Hospital, where he was on the police force ten years.

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POLICE RESCUE ONE GAS VICTIM; VETERAN KILLED

Crowd in Street and on "L" Watches Uniformed Men Revive Woman.

The sight of two policemen, in full uniform working over the bodies of a man and a woman, both in their night clothes, on the third story fire escape of No. 546 Second Avenue this afternoon, caused a great crowd to gather on the sidewalks and all street traffic to stop. Even the elevated trains slowed down while the motormen tried to make out what was going on and the passengers nearly climbed out of the windows in their excitement.

The two had been overcome with gas, accidentally turned on by the woman, who kept house for the victim of the accident, her uncle, Thomas Henry, a veteran of the civil war and a ward worker for House Conkling.

Henry died just as Dr. Norris of Bellevue Hospital arrived. The artificial respiration methods which Policemen Hough and Lerner at the police school saved Miss Henry's life, and she was taken to Bellevue for treatment.

Hough, with Policeman Boiger, had been called into the house by the landlady, Mrs. Denier, who said that there had been a strong smell of gas coming from the Henry apartment all morning.

The door was broken down and Henry and his niece were found in their bedrooms. The woman had apparently awakened before she was overtaken and had fallen to the floor of her room. A loose gas cook of the gas range in the kitchen had been knocked open.

WOMEN SEE DEATH PLUNGE.

James Downey's Playmates Also Witness Fatal Fall From Roof.

While chasing pigeons with several of his companions fourteen-year-old James Downey of No. 551 West Fifty-second street fell from the roof of No. 365 West Fifty-third street today and was instantly killed. He fell four stories, catching on clothing and several times during the fall and striking his head on the cement courtyard.

Four houses up this courtyard in common and many women saw the body falling. Mrs. Mary Brown, who was hanging out clothes, telephoned for the police. After seeing young Downey fall to his death his playmates ran.

ANOTHER MAMMOTH LINER.

Hamburg-American Will Build Six-Sister Ship to Imperator.

HAMBURG, Dec. 27.—The Hamburg-American line has ordered a third 10,000-ton liner for the Transatlantic service. She will be constructed by Blohm & Voess in their private yard here and will be a sister ship of the liner Imperator, which has a length of 300 feet and a 30-foot beam. The Imperator, which is to go into service in the spring of 1912, will provide accommodation for 600 passengers of all classes.

CHINESE THRONE READY TO QUIT; MAKING TERMS

Word Given That Ruling Manchus, Seeing Hope Vanishing, Will Abdicate.

PEKING, Dec. 27.—Representative members of the Imperial court, according to an authoritative source, have decided to Premier Yuan Shi Kai their willingness to agree to an abdication. The court, the same authority states, realizes that there is no hope for it in the holding of three or four detached sections of the country and semi-loyal provinces, and expects to obtain better terms by agreeing to the proposed referendum on the question of the form of government.

Premier Yuan Shi Kai fully realizes that the Republican spokesmen gathered at the peace conference at Shanghai are not likely to accept his proposition for a carefully elected Assembly representing the entire empire. He is of opinion that the Republicans know that time will favor his (Yuan Shi Kai's) plan.

The Premier is certain that he could win several battles with the modern army at his disposal, which is better equipped and greatly superior to the rebel forces, but as he is unable to obtain any loans he would be unable to recapture the lost provinces.

Yuan Shi Kai will in all probability resign his office after making the best terms possible for the throne.

Yuan Shi Kai regrets what he considers to be Tang Shao Yi's desertion. He suggests that Tang Shao Yi might become President of the republic, which is an office he himself would not accept. Yuan Shi Kai also regrets that foreign nations have withheld their financial support, with the help of which he could have reconquered the country.

Motor Yachtsmen's Year-End Dance.

The New York Motor Boat Club will wind up the official year to-morrow evening with a Christmas entertainment and dance at the clubhouse, One Hundred and Forty-seventh street and Hudson River. There will be music, dancing and a Christmas tree for the employees. Commencing the new year, there will be a series of monthly lectures up to the time the club goes into commission.

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LIFE FOR BOMB CARRIERS, JUDGE ROSALSKY'S IDEA.

Seven Years Not Enough for Man Convicted of Carrying Explosives.

It took a jury before Judge Rosalsky in General Sessions to-day just fifteen minutes to discard the plea of Angelo Chuccurra that Detective Mitchell and Cavone, who arrested him, had "planted" two dynamite bombs in his pockets in order to make a charge against him under the Sullivan law. When the verdict was announced Judge Rosalsky said to the jury:

"I think you have reached a just verdict. I want to say for the police of this city that I do not believe the time has come when they have reached a stage of depravity which would lead them to swear away, deliberately, the liberty of a fellow man."

"Gentlemen, the Sullivan law should be amended. As it now stands I can impose a sentence of not less than three and a half nor more than seven years. A man found guilty of carrying a bomb should be sentenced for life. It should be mandatory on the Judge to do so. The explosion of one of this fellow's bombs might have cost a thousand lives."

The Judge said he would impose the maximum sentence on Chuccurra to-morrow morning.



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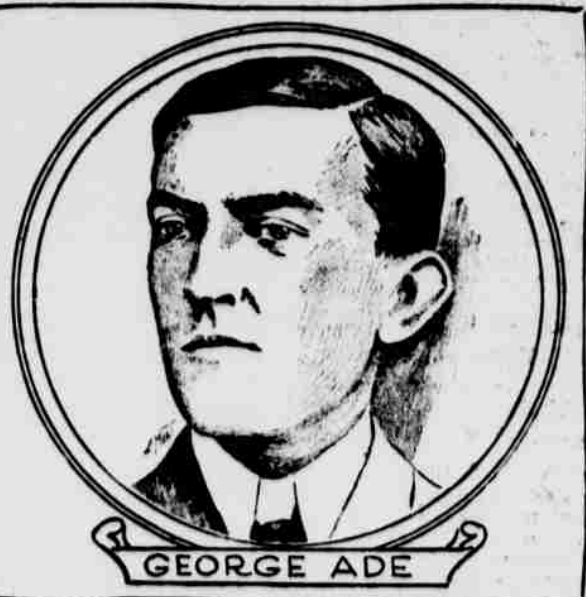
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